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SUBJECT: VISAS FOR BENIN

REF: A. OUAGADOUGOU 1494, B. COTONOU 476

1. COTONOU 476 REQUESTED DEPARTMENT ADVISORY ON BENIN VISA PROBLEM AS RESULT OF NON-AVAILABILITY AT FRENCH EMBASSIES.

2. IN SUM, TRAVELERS OCCASIONALLY HAVE BEEN GRANTED ENTRY WITHOUT VISA AT AIRPORT, AND TODAY FOR FIRST TIME AT FRONTIER AS WELL, VISAS THEN

BEING OBTAINED AT IMMIGRATION OFFICE IN COTONOU. GIVEN VAGARIES OF BENINESE POLICY, WE DO NOT RECOMMEND THAT THIS BE TRIED. BEININ VISAS ARE

AVAILABLE FROM BENINESE EMBASSIES IN ACCRA AND LAGOS AND AT BENINESE SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVES OFFICE IN NIAMEY. BENIN EMBASSY, LAGOS RECENTLY

HAS BEEN TELLING TRAVELERS IT TAKES MINIMUM OF TEN DAYS TO GET AUTHORIZATION FROM COTOJOU BEFORE VISA CAN BE ISSUED. SOME APPLICANTS IN ACCRA HAVE BEEN REFUSED OF LATE. BEST WE CAN OFFER AT PRESENT IS TO

APPLY AT ANY OF THREE POSTS LISTED, WELL IN ADVANCE OF ANTICIPATED UNCLASSIFIED

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